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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)	
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Eiji Kawaguchi, et al.)	
)	Examiner: Nakhjavan, Shervin K.
Serial No. 09/819,936)	Art Unit: 2621
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 12, 2004, the applicants have amended the application and respectfully request that these amendments be entered and the application reconsidered and allowed.

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Remarks addressing the bases for rejection begin on page 9.